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SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE (SPNFZ)

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1. UN SECRETARIAT CIRCULATED TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION ON
SPNFZ AS DOCUMENT A/C.1/L.719 DATED 20 OCTOBER 1975.

2. TEXT CORRESPONDS TO THAT IN REFTEL WITH FOLLOWING
MINOR CHANGES: A) TITLE IS "ESTABLISHMENT OF A NUCLEAR-
WEAPON -FREE ZONE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC;" B) PAPUA NEW GUIENA
IS SHOWN AS CO-SPONSOR; C) IN FOURTH PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH
"NUCLEAR WEAPONS" REPLACES "SUCH WEAPONS;" D) IN OPERATIVE
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PARAS 3 AND 4 "THE PRESENT RESOLUTION" REPLACES "THIS

RESOLUTION" E) IN OPERATIVE PARA 4, "OF THE UN" HAS BEEN DELETED.

3. OPERATIVE PARA 1 REMAINS UNCHANGED AND READS "ENDORSES THE IDEA OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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4. NEW ZEALAND MISSION OFFICER WILLIAMS SHOWED USUN MISSION OFFICER COPY OF MAP (POUCHED TO LONG, IO/UNP AND BLACK, ACDA/IR) PREPARED BY THE CONFERENCE FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC WHICH SHE EMPHASIZED IS IN NO WAY ENDORSED BY THE GONZ OF THE GOF OF THE GOPNG. THE MAP SHOWS THE NORTHERN LIMITS OF THE SPNFZ TO BE JUST SOUTH OF HAWAII IN THE EAST BUT NORTH OF WAKE AND GUAM IN THE WEST. THE ZONE EXTENDS EAST TO 115 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE (THE WESTERN LIMIT OF THE TREATY OF THATLOLCO) WITH A PROTRUSTION ENCOMPASSING EAST ISLAND, SOUTH TO 60 DEGREES SOUTH LONGITUDE (THE NORTHERN LIMITS OF THE ANTARTIC TREATY). AND WEST TO AUSTRALIA AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA. WILLIAMS SAID THAT SHE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE GROUP HAS CIRCULATED A LETTER AND THE MAP TO MEMBER OF THE CDD. SHE PROVIDES US WITH A COPY OF THE MAP AND THE LETTER RECEIVER BY THE GONZ (TRANSMITTED BELOW) AGAIN EMPHASIZING THAT NEITHER ARE ENDORSED BY THE CO-SPONSORS OF THE SPNFZ RESOLUTION.

5. WILLIAMS DREW USUN OFFICER'S ATTENTION TO THE LIMA NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE RESOLUTION ON THE SPNFZ AND THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BY SRI LANKA PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AMERASINGHE AS EVIDENCE OF PRESSURE ON THE CO-SPONSORS WHICH COULD BEST BE RESISTED BY NOT AMENDING THE SPNFZ PROPOSAL. IN HIS STATEMENT ON THE STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ITEM IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE, AMERASINGHE SAID "WE FULLY REALIZE THAT THOSE WHO ARE PROMOTING THE IDEA OF THE DECLARATION OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC AS A ZONE OF PEACE HAVE NOT SHOWN THE DEGREE OF AMBITION THAT WE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN HAVE."

6. MISSION OFFICER, SPEAKING PERSONALLY, ASKED IF CONFIDENTIAL

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WILLIAMS THOUGHT THERE WAS ANY POSSIBILITY THAT THE SPNFZ PROPOSAL COULD BE AMENDED TO REFER ONLY TO LAND MASSES; SHE SAID, NO, REFERRING AGAIN TO AMERASINGHE'S STATEMENT AS EVIDENCE THAT THE NON-ALIGNED ALREADY THINK THE PROPOSAL DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH.

7. MISSION OFFICER SAID THAT PRESSURES SUCH AS THOSE SHE HAD DESCRIBED AND EXTREME POSITIONS SUCH AS REPRESENTED

BY THE CONFERENCE FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC MAP GIVE THE
US ADDITIONAL CAUSE FOR CONCERN ON A PROPOSAL WHICH WE
ALREADY HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT.

8. WILLIAMS SAID SHE HAD DISCUSSED THE SPNFZ RESOLUTION
WTHE FRENCH MISSION AND HAS BEEN ASSURED FRANCE WILL
ABSTAIN.

9. SHE SAID THAT THE GONZ WILL EXPLAIN MORE FULLY ITS
VIEWS ON THE SPNFZ IN THE NZ STATEMENT IN THE FIRST
COMMITTEE WHICH IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31
(THE SECOND DAY OF THE DISARMAMENT DEBATE IF THE PRESENT
SCHEDULE HOLDS.) END CONFIDENTIAL

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CONFERENCE FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC
BOX 534 SUVA, FIJI.

DEAR, SIR,

THE CONFERENCE FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC, ATTENDED BY 93 DEL-
EGATES FROM 22 PACIFIC AND PACIFIC RIM COUNTRIES WAS HELD IN SUVA,
FIJI, FROM APRIL 1SR-6TH 1075.

WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU OF SOME OF THE ISSUES RAISED AT THIS
IMPORTANT CONFERENCE TO PACIFIC PEOPLES, AND REQUEST YOUR SPECIAL
HELP IN REALISING A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC.

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THE CONFERENCE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL THE ISSUES RELATING TO THE NUCLEAR POWERS' INVOLVEMENT IN THE PACIFIC. IT WAS VERY STRONGLY FELT THAT THE ISSUES OF COLONIALISM, IMPERIALISM AND RACISM CANNOT BE IGNORED IF WE ARE TO ACHIEVE A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC. IT WAS EVIDENT THAT THE POWERS THAT HAVE SO FAR TESTED NUCLEAR DEVICES IN PACIFIC AREA HAVE DONE SO IN WHAT WERE CONSIDERED " THEIR TERRITORIES" WITHOUT CONCERN FOR THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IN THESE AREAS. THE CONFERENCE THUS RECOGNIZED THE URGENCY OF SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS INDEPENDENCE STRUGGLES IN THE PACIFIC - IN PARTICULAR IN MICRONESIA AND THE FRENCH TERRITORIES. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THE COLONY-FREE PACIFIC WILL BE A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC.

WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN A PARTICULAR WAY. AT THE UNITED NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, IT IS LIKELY THAT NEW ZEALAND WILL PRESENT A PROPOSAL FOR A NUCLEAR FREE SOUTH PACIFIC ZONE. THIS ZONE WILL EXCLUDE THE ISLANDS OF MICRONESIA, AT PRESENT CONFIDENTIAL

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ADMINISTERED AS UN TRUST TERRITORY BY THE U.S. NO, THE PEOPLES OF THE PACIFIC, FEEL THAT THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- 1) GEOGRAPHICALLY IT IS ILLOGICAL TO EXCLUDE THE MICRONESIAN ISLANDS AS THEY ARE AS MUCH AS PART OF ANY PACIFIC ZONE CONCEPT AS ANY OTHER PACIFIC COUNTRY TERRITORY.
2. FURTHER, THE ZONE PROPOSED BY THE CONFERENCE (INCLUDING MICRONESIA) FITS INTO EXISTING AND PROPOSED NUCLEAR FREE ZONES, TO EXCLUDE MICRONESIA FROM A PACIFIC ZONE IS IN EFFECT TO LEAVE THEM PERMANENTLY WITHOUT PROTECTION BY SUCH A ZONE.
3. POLITICALLY, THE SINGLE GREATEST THREAT TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE PACIFIC IS FROM THE U.S. WITH THE LOSS OF VIETNAM, IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE THAT THEIR REVISED WESTERNMOST DEFENCE LINE CENTRES AROUND THE ISLANDS OF MICRONESIA. WITH MILITARY BASES, NUCLEAR STORAGE DEPOSITS, AND GLOBAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS BASED THERE, THE

ISLANDS BECOME THE PRIME TARGET IN THE EVENT OF A NUCLEAR WAR, THUS YET AGAIN INVOLVING INNOCENT PEOPLE IN IMPERIALISTS' WARS.

4) FURTHER, WITH THE PROPOSED US DEPLOYMENT OF NEW WEAPONS SYSTEMS SUCH AS THE TRIDENT, EQUIPPED WITH ULTRA-LONG RANGE MISSILES, THE US THREATENS TO INVOLVE THE PACIFIC IN A WHOLE NEW ERA OF ARMS ESCALATION, AGGRESSION AND COUNTER-AGGRESSION. TINIAN IN THE MARIANAS IS OPTION FOR A TRIDENT BASE, THIS STRENGTHENING THE NEED TO INCLUDE IT IN ANY NUCLEAR FREE ZONE.

5) PACIFIC GOVERNMENTS ARE ONLY RELUCTANT TO CONFRONT THE UNITED STATES OUT OF AN UNREASONABLE DEPENDANCE ON US DEFENCE STRATEGIES AND FOR ECONOMIC REASONS (NZ AND AUSTRALIA ARE BOTH PLEDGED TO THE ANZUS DEFENCE TREATY; WE FEEL THAT OUR GOVERNMENTS ARE JEOPARDIZING THE FUTURE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PACIFIC PEOPLES BY THEIR SHORTSIGHTEDNESS.

WE HAVE ENCLOSED INFORMATION ON THE NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC ZONE, UNDERGROUND TESTING IN THE PACIFIC AND SELF DETERMINATION IN THE FRENCH TERRITORIES AND MICRONESIA. THESE PAPERS WERE PREPARED FOR THE SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM MEETING IN TONGA, EARLY THIS MONTH AND WERE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL THE MEMBER COUNTRIES. WE HAVE ALSO ENCLOSED THE PROPOSED ZONE
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MAP.

WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CONSIDER VERY SERIOUSLY THE CONFERENCE'S PROPOSALS FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC ZONE WHICH INCLUDES MICRONESIA, AND TO ENSURE THAT SUCH A PROPOSAL GETS THE FULLEST DISCUSSION AND SUPPORT IN THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN SEPTEMBER. WE WOULD BE GREATFUL FOR INFORMATION ON YOUR GOVERNMENTS POSITION ON NUCLEAR FREE ZONES ESPECIALLY AS THEY RELATE TO AN AREA AS CRUCIAL TO WORLD PEACE AS THE PACIFIC.

SECRETARY WALDHEIM OF THE UNITED NATIONS HAS SAID THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR FREE ZONES IS A DEFINITE CONTRIBUTION TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE ENTIRE WORLD. WE BELIEVE THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR THE PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE TO BE REALIZED AS ONE STEP TOWARDS A DISARMED, NUCLEAR FREE WORLD.

FOR PEACE AND THE STRUGGLES OF THE PEOPLE

BHARAT K. JAMNADAS
SECRETARY CONTINUATIONS COMMITTEE
CONFERENCE FOR A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC

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